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SUBJECT: INITIAL CANADIAN REACTION TO SECRETARY'S ENERGY ACTION
GROUP PROPOSAL

POCHED ALL CONSULATES IN CANADA AS INFO

DEPARTMENT PASS SECRETARY'S PARTY

1. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER SHARP, IN RESPONSE

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MEDIA QUESTIONING DECEMBER 13, CHARACTERIZED

SECRETARY'S PROPOSAL AS MOST CONSTRUCTIVE AND STATED THAT GOC PREPARED TO NOMINATE REPRESENTATIVE TO ENERGY ACTION GROUP. SHARP SAID THAT GOC LOOKED FORWARD TO CLOSER EXAMINATION OF PROPOSAL AND THAT ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT WAS ONE AREA WHICH HOLDS PARTICULAR ATTRACTION FOR MULTILATERAL ACTION.

2. ENERGY MINISTER MACDONALD REPORTEDLY TOLD PRESS THAT HE GENERALLY FAVORED INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND THAT WITH REGARD TO ENERGY THE CANADIAN NUCLEAR REACTOR PROGRAM WAS AMONG THE WORLD'S BEST.

3. WHILE SHARP'S COMMENTS WERE CARRIED ON LATE CBC NEWS (RADIO) DECEMBER 13 THERE WAS NO REPEAT NO COVERAGE IN DECEMBER 14 MORNING OR AFTERNOON PRESS.

4. DECEMBER 13 OTTAWA JOURNAL HEADLINED SECRETARY'S INITIATIVE, "KISSINGER ASKS CANADA TO JOIN EFFORT COULD OPEN DOOR TO ALREADY-PROPOSED URANIUM ENRICHMENT FACILITIES IN CANADA AND PROVIDE IMPETUS TO CANADA'S ALREADY-SUCCESSFUL NUCLEAR POWER PROGRAM. JOURNAL EDITORIAL OF DECEMBER 14, HOWEVER, CAUTIONS THAT MANY CANADIANS ARE "RIGHTLY SUSPICIOUS OF ANYTHING THAT MIGHT LEAD TO A TOTAL CONTINENTAL ENERGY POLICY" AND WARNS THAT CANADA'S ECONOMY "IS JUST TOO SMALL TO ABSORB THE DISTORTIONS THAT WOULD BE CAUSED BY TOO MUCH FOREIGN CAPITAL FLOWING IN TO HELP DEVELOP OUR ENERGY RESOURCES TOO QUICKLY." NEVERTHELESS, EDITORIAL FINDS PROPOSAL'S LOGIC "IMPOSSIBLE TO FAULT" ADN CALLS FOR "A SINCERE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST" FOR THE MOMENT.

5. MONTREAL GAZETTE (DECEMBER 14) EDITORIALY STATES THAT "INDUSTRIAL NATIONS MUST RESPOND QUICKLY AND POSITIVELY TO THE KISSINGER INITIATIVE." EDITORIAL ALSO APPLAUDS FACT THAT PROPOSAL INVITES PARTICIPATION OF PRODUCING NATIONS AS WELL AS CONSUMERS. "SUCH AN APPROACH MINIMIZES CONFRONTATION WITH THE ARABS AND TENDS TO AVOID JOCKEYING TO GET IN THEIR GOOD GRACES."

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